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Department of Rural Development & R.D.A.

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Government is hereby pleased to revise the 'Goa Gram Samradhi Yojana' for the Village Panchayats in order to provide the financial assistance to create durable community, social and economic assets and infrastructural development in rural areas.

1. **Short title and commencement.**— (i) This Scheme will be called the Goa Gram Samradhi Yojana.

(ii) It will come into force at once.

2. **Objectives.**— The Goa Gram Samradhi Yojana will have the following objectives.

The objectives of the Scheme is the creation of durable community, social and economic assets and infrastructural development in rural areas.

3. **Status.**— The programme will be implemented as a State Scheme. The State would provide entire (100%) funds under the Scheme.

4. **Definition of eligible Panchayats.**— Village Panchayat in these guidelines means the Village Panchayat, constituted under Goa Panchayat Raj Act, 1994.

5. **Prescribed limit.**— Amount of each work shall not exceed Rs. 12.00 lakhs (Rupees twelve lakhs only). However, the Committee may, while

deciding the approval exceeding Rs. 12.00 lakhs for any work shall consider the overall financial position with specific reference to revenue generation of the Panchayat and the need/requirement of the proposed project.

6. **Release of funds.**— (a) The funds will vest in the custody of the Project Director (North) and ex officio Joint Secretary to the Government of Goa. A separate account shall be opened in a Nationalized Bank and the same shall be operated jointly by the Project Director (North) and ex officio Joint Secretary and the Senior Accounts Officer of DRDA.

(b) The funds to the District Rural Development Agencies will be released on receipt of demand for tendered amount of the project.

(c) A separate account shall be opened and shall be operated jointly by the concerned Project Director and Accounts Officer of the concerned DRDA.

(d) The funds will be released by the District Rural Development Agencies to the executing agencies on production and approval of the bills.

7. **Appointment of committee.**— (a) There shall be a scrutiny and monitoring committee nominated by the Government for the scrutiny of the proposals while according the approval for the projects and also responsible for overall supervision, quality control, completion and certifying the execution of works of the projects.

(b) The Committee shall consist of following, namely:

The Minister for Rural Development -Chairman

Other members to be nominated by the Government are:

(i) One Sarpanch of the Village Panchayat – Member

(ii) Two persons who are or had been elected representatives of Zilla Panchayats or members of Legislative Assembly ~~Member~~

8. Release of grants.— (a) The State Government will release grants in two installments. First installment of 60% of the allotted amount will be released before 31st May, and the second installment of 40% will be released after utilization of 50% of the first installment.

(b) Payment of every amount shall be subject to:

(i) Completion certificate issued by the committee.

(ii) Certificate from Technical Section duly certified by the Executive Engineer.

(iii) Administrative scrutiny and approval of the bills by the Accounts Section.

9. Utilization of interest earned on deposits.— The interest amount accrued on the deposits of each streams shall be treated as additional resources for Scheme and should be utilized as per these guidelines.

10. Execution of works.— The work will be executed after calling the open tenders by the Project Directors.

11. Records of the assets created.— Each District shall maintain complete inventory of the assets created under the programme giving details of the date of the start and the date of completion of the project, cost involved, benefits obtained, employment generated and other relevant particulars. Signboards should be displayed near the works giving these details. Photographic record of the work may also be kept of the various stages of implementation before start, during implementation and after completion.

12. Audit of works.— Both physical and financial audit of the works under the Scheme are compulsory. This must be carried out at the end of the financial year by each district. The audit will be done by the Directorate of Accounts. The audit report together with action taken on the auditor's

observations shall be furnished at the time of second installment of funds for the next financial year.

13. Social audit.— Immediately on finalization of works of the programme DRDAs shall publicize and inform Gram Panchayats details of works to ensure transparency, accountability and social control. Gram Panchayats should place these details before the respective Gram Sabhas.

14. Administrative sanction.— The administrative sanction for the works under the Annual Action Plan will be given by the Government.

The proposal of sanction shall be supported by the following documents:—

(i) Land documents of the property in which project proposed to be taken up.

(ii) If the land is not belonging to the V.P. the NOC of the owner occupant of the land shown in Form I & XIV.

(iii) Project estimate with drawings and RCC designs.

(iv) Site Plan.

15. Technical sanction.— The technical sanction and execution of works shall be as per pattern and procedure adopted by the P.W.D.

16. Co-ordination and supervision of works.— The Committee shall be responsible for the overall co-ordination and supervision of the works, subject to overall control of the DRDA.

17. Works to be taken up under the Scheme.— (i) All works that result in the creation of durable productive community assets can be taken up under the programme as per the felt needs of the area/people by the Village Panchayat/Zilla Panchayat.

Priority shall be given in the following order:—

(a) Infrastructure support for Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY).

(b) Infrastructure required for supporting agricultural activities in the Village Panchayat.

(c) Community infrastructure for education (including kitchen sheds) health and internal as well as link roads (roads linking the village to the main road even if it falls outside the Panchayat area is allowed to be constructed).

(d) Other socio-economic community assets.

(ii) While there is no ceiling on the cost of works to be taken up under the programme, only such works should generally be taken up whose size and cost and nature are such that they are capable of being implemented at the local level and do not involve high level of technical inputs etc. The works taken up must be kept within the overall Annual Action Plan. The following works shall not be taken up under the programme.

(a) Buildings for religious purposes such as temple, mosque, gurudwara, church, etc.

(b) Monuments, memorials, statue, idols, arch gate/welcome gate.

(c) Bridges (except culverts, small bridges on local 'nalas' small streams).

(d) Building for colleges.

(e) Desiltation of nalas/gutters.

(iii) Works taken up under the programme should be of durable nature and should meet technical standards and specifications, if any, for the concerned work/area.

18. Implementing agencies.— The programme will be implemented through the District Rural Development Agency who will be responsible for planning and execution of the Yojana. The technical supervision will be the responsibility of the Committee and DRDAs.

19. Monitoring.— (i) Vigilance and Monitoring Committees at the State and District level constituted for overseeing the various programmes of the Rural Development will also be responsible to monitor the implementation of the works under this Scheme.

(ii) Schedule for inspection of works — For effective implementation of the programme, the Officers at the District level must closely monitor

all aspects of the programme through visits to work sites in the interior areas. A schedule of inspection, which prescribes the minimum number of field visits should be drawn up by the DRDAs, and strictly adhered to.

(iii) The Officers dealing with the GGSY at the State Headquarters shall visit districts regularly and ascertain through field visits that the programme is being implemented satisfactorily and that execution of works in accordance with the prescribed procedures and specifications.

(iv) During the course of inspection, if any official comes across any irregularities he/she should immediately bring it to the notice of the Project Director, DRDA so that appropriate action is taken.

20. Reports and returns.— It shall be open to the State Government to prescribe reporting formats for monthly and Annual Reports. The DRDAs will also be accountable to the State Government to ensure that the returns/reports in respect of the works taken up for execution under the GGSY in the Districts are furnished in time.

The following reports and returns will be submitted to the State by the DRDAs.

(i) A monthly progress report to be furnished in Proforma-I by the 10th of every succeeding month.

(ii) A detailed Annual Report to be submitted by 25th April of the succeeding year— Proforma-II.

21. Evaluation.— The State will conduct periodical evaluation studies on the implementation of the programme.

The DRDA may also conduct studies from time to time. The DRDA shall report the outcome of the studies to the State Government from time to time.

The PRIs may, subject to relevant laws, even raise additional resources through appropriate cess/tax to ensure people's participation by inculcating in them the feeling of community ownership.

22. Redressal of grievances.— If there are any grievances with regard to the implementation of

the GGSY by the implementing agencies including proper payment of wages, representation can be made to the DRDA. It will be the responsibility of these functionaries to enquire into the representation and redress the grievances in an appropriate manner.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

G. P. Pilarnekar, Joint Secretary (R.D.).

Porvorim, 1st July, 2008.